HELICOPTER BLADE ASSEMBLY ADAPTED TO PERMIT RAPID FORWARD FLIGHT

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A helicopter blade assembly for permitting rapid forward flight in a helicopter having separate means for providing a forward impetus is disclosed. The assembly has a set of rotatable blades attached to a substantially vertical mast. These blades slope downward near to their distal ends, thereby creating an inverted disk virtual air foil when the blades are rapidly rotated by the mast. In a preferred embodiment the camber of the blades and, therefore, the shape of the virtual air foil is controllable.

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